## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

January 14, 2000

sir:

Please amend the above-identified application, prior to examination thereof, as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 2, line 1, insert — is a Divisional application of application Serial No. 09/136,610, filed August 20, 1998,

which -- after "application" (first occurrence).

## <u>REMARKS</u>

Applicants have amended the specification of the aboveidentified application, prior to examination thereof, to
satisfy the requirements of 35 USC 120 in referring to, inter
alia, the immediately prior application of the aboveidentified application upon which priority is claimed under 35
USC 120. It is respectfully submitted that this amendment of
the specification does not add new matter to the application.